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Mark Robert Sivik, et al. : Confirmation No. 7872
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For COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR USING
ZWITTERIONIC POLYMERIC SUDS ENHANCERS

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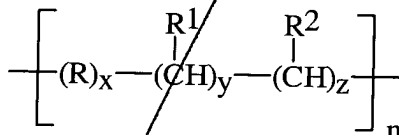
Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed June 26, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections in light of the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

2. (Amended) A composition according to Claim 1 wherein said zwitterionic polymeric suds stabilizer (a) has the formula:



wherein R is C₁-C₁₂ linear alkylene, C₁-C₁₂ branched alkylene, and mixtures thereof; R¹ is a unit capable of having a negative charge at a pH of from about 4 to about 12; R² is a unit capable of having a positive charge at a pH of from about 4 to about 12; n has a value such that said zwitterionic polymers suds stabilizer has an